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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT 1

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Box: NON-FEE AMENDMENT
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Honorable Commissioner:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action, mailed 05/22/2002. Please amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please Amend Claim 1 and add Claims 8 - 15.

Sub 1

1. (Amended) An apparatus for applying setting material comprising:

- a. a container comprising
 - i. a horizontal bottom plate for holding such setting material, such plate having a plurality of apertures therein to enable a predetermined amount of such setting material to pass therethrough; and
 - ii. a circumferential wall coupled to a top portion of said plate, wherein such circumferential wall extends above such plate;
- b. at least four hollow sleeves coupled to said container; and

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